(d) to (f) Subsequent to the incident, necessary steps have been taken to step up surveillance and strengthen security, wherever required, of scientific/research and other vital establishments.

Funding of militants through Hawala

355. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain money exchange offices based in the Meddle East are suspected to be involved in hawala operations to fund militants in Jammu and Kashmir.

(b) if so, the number of persons so far arrested by the police for having funded the terrorist groups; and

(c) the steps taken by the Central Government to stop such activities of these persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The arrest of a Dubai based engineer in Delhi on February 3, 2006, and recovery of Rs. 55 lakh, RDX, Detonator, timer, etc. from him confirms the involvement of Middle East money exchangers in Hawala operations to fund militancy in Jammu and Kashmir.

(c) Various agencies of the Central Government and the State Government are coordinating amongst themselves and taking necessary actions for tackling the menace of terrorist funding in all its dimensions. Apart from this the Government has constituted two Apex Level Committee, one at Central level and another at State level to check the inflow of funds to the terrorist/secessionist outfits in Jammu and Kashmir.

Denial of entry into India

356. SHRI TARLOCHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many people who got visas from Indian Missions abroad were not allowed to enter India and returned because the computer at the airport did not have their names;

(b) what action Government have taken in such cases because the visitors without any fault suffer mentally and financially; and

(c) what are the measures being adopted to avoid this in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) There is no such requirement for immigration clearance that only those foreigners would be allowed entry whose names are fed in the computers at the international airports. However, as per available information, entry was refused to the following number of foreigners in last two years in the major international airports because their names figured in the 'negative list' maintained by immigration authorities:

Number of Foreigners Refused Entry based on Negative List

International Airport	2003	2004
Delhi	31	27
Mumbai	17	20
Kolkata	00	01
Chennai	21	37
Amritsar	01	01
TOTAL	70	86

(b) and (c) Details of foreigners coming to adverse notice are circulated to Indian Mission/Posts abroad to that such persons may be refused visa at the time of application itself. However, for some reasons if such reports reach visa issuing authorities late and visa is issued in the meanwhile, check at the time of immigration prevents their entry into the country.

Assistance to Rajasthan for modernisation of police force

357. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Centre has decided to enhance its assistance for modernization of police forces;

(b) if so, the details of assistance that is proposed to be given/has been given to Rajasthan under the above project during the current financial year;